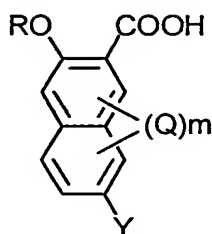


CLAIMS

1. A charge control agent consisting of compound represented by formula [I]



[I]

wherein Y is selected from the group consisting of an esterified carboxyl group and a group of $-(\text{CONH})_n\text{-X}$ (wherein X is selected from the group consisting of an optionally branched and optionally substituted hydrocarbon group which may have an unsaturated bond, an optionally substituted aromatic group and a heterocyclic group having conjugated double bonds, n is an integer of 1 or 2);

R is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen atom, alkaline metal, an optionally branched, optionally substituted C1 to C6 alkyl and acyl groups, and phenylalkyl group;

Q is selected from the group consisting of an optionally branched C1 to C6 alkyl and alkoxy groups, halogen atom, nitro group, nitroso group, amino group and sulfo group; and

m is an integer of 0 to 3
or a salt thereof.

2. The charge control agent of claim 1, wherein Y is
-(CONH)n-X, wherein n is 1 and X is a C8 to C18 alkyl group.

3. The charge control agent of Claim 1, wherein the agent
is negatively chargeable and the absolute amount of the
5 charge is no less than +10.0 $\mu\text{C/g}$.

4. An electrophotographic toner, comprising at least a
binder resin, a colorant and a charge control agent
consisting of the naphthol derivative represented by
formula (I) or a salt thereof.